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Dear Examiner Bausch:

Please enter the following on the record in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 18, 2007. A Request For Continued Examination is attached hereto. As this response is a timely submission, the Applicants believe that no extension fees are required.

Amendments To The Claims appear beginning on page 2 in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121.